Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 15 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 16 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 14 Nov 2023 at 16:49 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Good confidence for cloudy conditions with patchy rain and summit snow on Wednesday, a lot of dry weather on Thursday and Friday then lower confidence for timing of unsettled weather over the weekend.

Headline for Wednesday 15 Nov 2023: Poor visibility at height with occasional rain or summit snow. Cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 15 Nov 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Sleet	Sleet	Sleet	Fog	Fog	Fog	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
80%	80%	80%	60%	40%	40%	20%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 15 Nov 2023

Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain, falling as sleet or snow above 900m, heavy at times overnight but becoming light and patchy during the morning then slowly dying out during late afternoon and evening. Some heavy and possibly thundery showers may affect far southwest Argyll.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Areas of low cloud and fog above 600m with poor visibility in rain or snow. This cloud should slowly lift from ranges along the west coast but it will be a slow process.

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Forecast for Wednesday 15 Nov 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	20/25 SE	15/19 E	13/17 E	12/16 E	10/13 SE	7/9 SE	8/10 SE	10/12 SE	11/14 SE
900	18/24 SE	16/22 E	12/17 E	13/17 E	10/14 SE	8/11 SE	8/10 SE	8/11 S	10/12 SE
600	13/18 SE	15/19 E	16/20 NE	14/18 E	6/8 SE	5/7 SE	4/6 SE	5/7 SE	5/7 E
300	9/17 E	6/8 E	5/9 N	4/6 N	3/5 S	3/6 NE	4/7 E	4/7 SE	4/8 SE
Glen	8/16 NE	9/18 NE	9/18 NE	8/16 NE	2/8 NE	2/6 NE	2/4 SE	2/4 E	2/5 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-8	-2/-8	-2/-7	-2/-7	-2/-7	-2/-5	-2/-6	-2/-7	-2/-7
900	1/-5	-0/-6	0/-5	-0/-5	0/-4	0/-4	-0/-4	-0/-4	-0/-5
600	4/0	2/-2	2/-2	3/-2	3/1	3/1	3/1	3/1	3/1
300	6/3	4/2	4/2	4/3	5/3	5/3	5/3	5/3	5/3
Glen	6/4	6/3	6/3	6/3	6/6	7/6	6/5	5/4	5/4
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	1000m	900m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Be prepared for some snow and icy conditions under foot above 1000m with possible whiteout conditions in low cloud and snow cover.

Forecast for Thursday 16 Nov 2023
Weather: Cloud clearing overnight. A largely dry day with sunny intervals but cloud increasing. A few showers, wintry above 900m, may spread in from the west.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15 to 20mph, gusts 30mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Mainly good visibility. Patchy fog on low slopes in the morning, also some patches of cloud above 500m with locally poor visibility in any showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1C rising to 7C.
At 800m: Plus 1C.
Freezing level: 900m.

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